

Marine Mammals of Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary.

Cetaceans

Harbor Porpoise	All Year
Dall's Porpoise	All Year
Common Dolphin	Sept-April (Fall best)
Pacific White-sided Dolphin	All Year
Northern Right Whale Dolphin	All Year (Fall-winter best)
Risso's Dolphin	All Year (Aug.-Oct. best)
Pilot Whale	June
Orca (Killer Whale)	Unpredictable
Gray Whale	Dec.-April (Jan. best)
Blue Whale	June-Nov. (Oct.-Nov.-best)
Fin Whale	Aug.-Sept.
Sei Whale	October
Minke Whale	July-Nov.
Humpback Whale	April-Dec. (Aug.-Nov.-best)
Sperm Whale	Dec.-Feb.
Baird's Beaked Whale	July-Nov.

Favored Season

Pinnipeds

Harbor Seal	All Year
Northern Elephant Seal	All Year
Northern Fur Seal	August through March
California Sea Lion	All year
Steller's Sea Lion	All year

Favored Season

OTHERS

Several species of Mesoplodon Beaked whales, *Kogia simus*, *K. brevicep*, *Stenella coeruleoalba*, and *Steno bredanensis*, have been beached on the Central California Coast and some of these have doubtless strayed into Cordell Bank waters. Ziphius, Pseudorca and Tursiops are seen occasionally at Monterey Bay and will probably be recorded in the future at Cordell Bank.